

Behavioral Health Board – Region 3

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Region 3 Behavioral Health Board Children's Mental Health Subcommittee

Wednesday, April 28, 2021 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

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Attendees:

Joy Husmann	Greg Dickerson	Heather Taylor	Jeri Gowen	Melissa Mezo
Elena Ramirez	Darren Bushee	Clarissa Grange	Adrian Avila	Tricia Ellinger
Sydney Young	Molly Perotti			

Agenda:

Topic	Discussion	Motion	Action
Call Meeting to Order Introductions	Meeting called to order at 12:34 pm		
Approval of February 2021 Meeting Minutes	Subcommittee members reviewed February minutes.	Motion made, and seconded, to pass minutes. Minutes approved unanimously.	Emily to upload approved minutes to the BHB website.
Strategic Planning	 Recovery 4 Life interns and Human Supports of Idaho have helped tremendously with advancing several of the CMH subcommittee projects. Joy and Melissa thanked them for their efforts. Tricia asked if there was active parent representation on the 		

subcommittee. Joy shared that the participation of the subcommittee ebbs and flows but it would beneficial to have an active parent attend the CMH subcommittee as it would benefit the strategic plan and the provider and prevention subcommittee. Once the goals and strategies are worked through in the strategic plan, the provider and prevention subcommittee will be able to dig deeper into their strategies.

- Clarissa shared the PowerPoint she created with statistics for Region 3. She pulled the data from a University of Idaho platform called Indicators Idaho.
- Once the strategic plan is completed, it will be provided as survey to the BHB and those in the community. It also helps to identify where gaps and needs are. The gap and needs analysis has to be submitted to the Behavioral Health Council by September to go into the governor's report.
- Key data elements and strategies discussed in the strategic plan (while same data is not directly related to the strategic plan, it still is pertinent to the region as whole):
 - % of families on SNAP (food stamps). Is there more work that can be done in rural communities to help individuals get signed up for food stamps?
 - Youth mental health court has to be funded through the Supreme Court and there has to be a judge willing to undertake that.
 - Completed strategies to remain in the plan. It helps inform individuals when activities were completed.
 - Tricia shared that there is not any resource available for children in crisis under age 5. The Crisis Centers are not intended for anyone under the age 18. If there was an appropriate crisis response for kids aged 5 -17 it would prevent many of the costly and ineffective barriers in place.
 - Subcommittee members discussed that child, rather than adolescence or youth, is more encompassing as it captures ages 2 to 18.
 - A lot of schools now have an imbedded or colocated social worker within the schools.

Joy will work on integrating the additions done by Human Supports of Idaho into the strategic plan.

Tricia will share her Crisis System of Care for Children: Idaho, to be added to the strategic plan.

Subcommittee members suggested reaching out to	Joy will reach out to
Jen Y. to see if she can identify areas of	Jen Y. and Nicole
collaboration. Nicole Pearson with the Idaho Primary	Pearson to see if the
Care Association can also serve as a strong	can help provide
collaborative partner.	verbiage for Goal 3.
 Joy is the current Board president of the Southwest 	
Idaho Housing Authority and they just received	
funding through HUD to support kids transitioning to	
support housing for adolescents transitioning out of	
foster care onto their own.	
 Subcommittee members discussed transportation 	
concerns. Parents in Gem County like to go "over the	
hill" for behavioral health services. There are also	
concerns of Medicaid transportation arriving and	
parents not feeling safe, in addition to time being a	
barrier. Subcommittee members discussed that they	
need more data information, especially Medicaid	
transportation. Judge Lee shared transportation to	
youth court is an issue, but almost all court is being	
offered via video or phone. Telehealth and Zoom has	
proven to be very helpful.	
 Judge Lee shared that within the Health People 2020 	
initiative, there is political activity concerning	

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funding related to perceptions of discrimination.